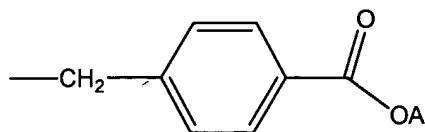


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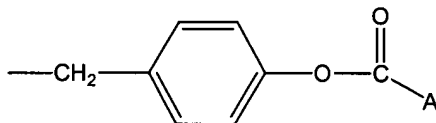


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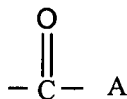
Please add new Claim 20.

6 / 20. (NEW) The delivery system of Claim 18 / 4 wherein the active ingredient and the linker form a substituent on a 4-dimethylaminomethyl moiety or a 3-dimethylaminomethyl moiety having a structure represented by

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wherein



is the covalently bonded active ingredient.

REMARKS

The Applicant has amended the specification to reflect the claim for priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/042,641, filed April 4, 1997. This claim for priority should be allowed since 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(2)(ii) indicates the time periods set forth therein do not apply if the later-filed application is a non-provisional application which entered the national stage after compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 371 from an international application filed under 35 U.S.C. § 363 before November 29, 2000. The international